

# Uxbridge Conservation Commission – Minutes

July 24, 2006 7:00 PM

Present: Gretchen Duffield (Chair), Al Jones (V. Chair), Harold Klei, Andrew Klos, Peter Lewis

Absent: Tracy Tibedo, Jonathan Roberge

## **Pintos Plumbing and Heating - Rockmeadow Rd**

Request for support in requesting offset variance from Zoning Board. Elizabeth Mainini, of Guerriere & Halnon to present.

Ms. Elizabeth Mainini of Guerriere & Halnon, Inc. presents; an update on the status of the project is provided. The proposed project (single family home) was denied by the Commission for failure to maintain a 25-foot setback from wetlands. The applicant appealed the decision. DEP issued a Superceding Order upholding the Commission's decision. The applicant appealed DEP's decision and is currently involved in pre-hearing conferences with DEP in the hopes of reaching a settlement agreement, thus avoiding court. DEP had requested the applicant seek a variance from the Town Zoning setbacks. The applicant requests that the Commission formally support the zoning variance request by forwarding a letter of support to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Discussion ensues. A motion is made to send a letter of endorsement for the requested variance. The motion carries.

3 aye, 2 nay.

## **Nydam, Melody –16 Dunleavy Brook Drive (Map 22, Parcel 165), DEP# 312-672**

Ms. Melody Nydam of Impact Roads and Construction appears before the Commission. Failure to adhere to approved plans and subsequent denial of Request for Certificate of Compliance was discussed. A motion is made to entertain a proposal for wetland replication and/or buffer zone restoration in lieu of compliance with the Order of Conditions, which would require demolition of an existing deck. The motion carries.

4 aye, 1 nay.

Deliberations on any submitted proposal will continue on August 7<sup>th</sup>.

## ***PUBLIC HEARINGS***

### **Kramer, Dan -70 West River Road / Pout Pond (Map 13, Parcel 4877) – NOI – DEP # 312-841**

Proposed construction of a boardwalk within Bordering Vegetated Wetland. Dan Kramer - Eagle Scout, of 20 Cross Road, Uxbridge, presents. Mr. Kramer shows several images of the proposed boardwalk location and describes construction methods. Discussion ensues. Impacts to wetland are found to be minimal. The boardwalk is a much welcome improvement for the Pout Pond conservation land. The boardwalk will allow a controlled crossing of an ecologically sensitive area that has been previously damaged by makeshift crossings and trampling. The boardwalk will also allow visitors to opportunities to observe the unique bog system to the south. A motion is made to approve the project with the condition that the boardwalk shall be built during dry conditions. The motion carries.

All aye, contingent upon favorable NHESP response and DEP file number.

### **Mobil Pipeline Company**

#### **Douglas Street ( Map 1, Parcel 193) – NOI – DEP# 312-847**

Proposed repairs to sections of an existing pipeline (Sections 19 and 20). Work is proposed within Bordering Vegetated Wetland and 200-foot Riverfront Area of Scadden Brook. Mr. Jay Hall, of Coler & Colantonio, Inc. presents. Discussion ensues, concerns are raised regarding sensitive wildlife habitat. A motion is made to continue deliberations to the August 7<sup>th</sup>, meeting. The motion carries.

4 aye, 1 abstain (Peter Lewis).

### **Mobil Pipeline Company**

#### **Aldrich Street ( Map 45, Parcel 1073) – NOI – DEP# 312-846**

Proposed repairs to sections of an existing pipeline (Sections 16 and 17). Work is proposed within Bordering Vegetated Wetland. Mr. Jay Hall of, Coler & Colantonio, Inc. presents. Discussion ensues. A motion is made to approve with standard conditions, pending issuance of DEP file number. The motion carries.

4 aye, 1 abstain (Peter Lewis).

### **Mobil Pipeline Company**

#### **Quaker Highway ( Map 45, Parcel 2998) – NOI – DEP#312-845**

Proposed repairs to existing pipeline (Sections 14 and 15). Work is proposed within Bordering Vegetated Wetland.

Mr. Jay Hall, of Coler & Colantonio presents. Discussion ensues. A motion is made to approve with standard conditions, pending issuance of DEP file number carries. The motion carries.

All aye, 1 abstain (Peter Lewis).

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## **Massachusetts Dept. of Conservation & Recreation**

### **287 Oak Street (Rice City Pond Dam) – NOI – DEP# 312-837**

Proposed restoration of historic gate structures at the Blackstone River & Canal Heritage State Park. Work is proposed within Bordering Vegetated Wetland and Land Under Water. Tom DeSantos of Fuss and O'Neil, Inc. presents. In restoring the gates, the canal will be dropped to a depth of approximately 2 feet. Dewatering will be implemented in the immediate vicinity of the structures to be restored. Mr. DeSantos indicates a tentative start date of late August and estimates work will be completed within two months of start. Mr. John Pelczarski of MA DCR indicates that grant money has been obtained to perform the work and time is of the essence. Discussion ensues. A motion is made to approve the work with standard conditions. The motion carries.

All aye.

## **Cnossen Long Term Investment Corp.**

### **Lot 6 Commerce Drive (Map 40, Parcels 2166 & 2954) – NOI – DEP# 312-836**

Proposed construction of a 40,000 square foot manufacturing facility and appurtenances (Unilock Facility expansion). The work is proposed within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding and 100-foot Buffer Zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetland.

A continuance is requested by the applicant's representative. To be continued to August 7, 2006.

## *(continued)* **Uxbridge Rod and Gun Club**

### **Lee Reservoir, West Street – NOI – DEP# 312-838**

Proposed fisheries habitat improvement by dredging Lee Reservoir to deepen portions. The work is proposed within Land Under Water, Bordering Vegetated Wetland, and 200-foot Riverfront Area of Scadden Brook.

A continuance is requested by the applicant's representative. To be continued to August 7, 2006.

## *(continued to August 7)* **Vecchione, Gary**

### **189 Mendon Road (Map 19, Parcel 3753) – NOI – DEP# 312-842**

Proposed construction within Bordering Land Subject to Flooding. Proposed construction includes paved parking and staging/storage areas, commercial and horticultural buildings, recreational facilities including a baseball field and skating rink, and stormwater management structures.

A continuance is requested by the applicant's representative.

## *(continued)* **Hamilton, Linda**

### **Aldrich Street (Map 49, Parcel 442) – NOI – DEP# 312-831**

Proposed construction of a single family home, portions to be located within 100-foot Buffer Zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetland.

Status of filing unknown, Commission discusses contacting representative to obtain written status report.

## *(continued)* **Albee Realty Trust**

### **Albee Road (Map 41, Parcel 1895) – NOI – DEP# 312-811**

Construction of a subdivision roadway and associated structures. Portions of the work are proposed within 100-foot Buffer Zone of Bordering Vegetated Wetland.

A continuance is requested by the applicant's representative. To be continued to August 7, 2006.

Meeting Adjourned at: 10.20pm

Respectfully Submitted, Rachel Landry, Conservation Administrator